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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of filing fee, please amend the abovecaptioned application as follows:

## IN THE ABSTRACT

Line 7, after "second relief" change "patterns" to --pattern--.

Line 17, change "flare" to --flares--.

Line 18, change "ghost" to --ghosts--.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Before the first line, insert - This is a division of Now us putent 6,157,488 application Serial No.08/697,773 filed August 29, 1996. --